

Bay State Road/Back Bay West Architectural Conservation District Commission
Public Hearing Minutes
Boston City Hall, Room 709
Boston, Massachusetts, 02201
March 10, 2020

Commissioners Present: Pamela Beale, Thomas Hotaling, and Ruel Longfellow

Commissioners Not Present: Terri North and Victor Themo

Staff Present: Joseph Cornish, Director of Design Review

5:25 PM Commissioner Beale called the public hearing to order.

Review and Ratification of 9/10/2019 Public Hearing Minutes

Commissioner Beale initiated the motion to approve the minutes and Commissioner Longfellow seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously 3-0.

Design Review

20.841 BSR

7 Bay State Road: Reduce size of existing roof deck; construct an aluminum-clad penthouse addition; and construct roof deck and aluminum-clad headhouse on top of penthouse addition.

Representative: P. T. Vineburgh

Mr. Vineburgh presented current condition photographs and plans for the proposed project. He explained that the project was approved by the Commission in 2018; however, the copper cladding at the penthouse and headhouse will be prohibitively expensive. The Commission discussed the limited visibility of the penthouse and headhouse additions, and agreed that the proposed aluminum cladding is consistent with the aluminum cladding at existing rooftop additions in this area of the district.

There was no public comment.

In conclusion the Commission voted to approve the application as submitted.

Commissioner Beale initiated the motion and Commissioner Hotaling seconded the motion. The vote was 3-0.

Administrative Review/Approval

Work that staff reviewed conforms to standards and criteria for administrative approval:

20.830 BB

475 Commonwealth Avenue: Repair and replace masonry, repair rubber membrane roof and re-attach metal coping.

In conclusion the Commission voted to approve the application as submitted.

Commissioner Longfellow initiated the motion and Commissioner Beale seconded the motion. The vote was 3-0.

5:36 PM Commissioner Beale adjourned the public hearing.